

Chairman Julius Genachowski: Commissioner Michael J. Copps: Commissioner Robert M. McDowell: Commissioner Mignor Clyburn:

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20544

Re: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

Studies show that Latino-Americans are one of the highest users of mobile broadband among all demographics, but tend to have less access to it in their homes and communities. The Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation (PHEF) is quite familiar with the barriers that might prevent Latino students from obtaining a good education and employment. We believe in increasing that broadband reach to southern Colorado communities and support the AT&T and T-Mobile merger as a means to this end.

As the Executive Director for PHEF, I feel it is important to bring mobile broadband solutions to a significant amount of our Pueblo population. This merger will provide high-speed broadband access quickly and in areas that would take many years to build. Latinos who rely on mobile devices and smart phones as their key communications link will have greater access to remote learning applications, job training and employment applications.

The capital investment AT&T plans to make to deliver its mobile broadband network across our state and across its country is impressive. More Latino-Americans in Pueblo and rural Southern Colorado will get to experience the same benefits of greater access and faster connectivity to 4G LTE networks that customers in more populated or higher-income areas already receive.

We respectfully ask for your consideration in approving this merger as a way to level the playing field for our Pueblo area Hispanic and other minority, or low to moderate-income students so they are able to better access the same opportunities for educational and employment success.

Sincerely,

Dalton Sprouse Executive Director

Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation